

**UTILITY
PATENT APPLICATION
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37 C.F.R. 1.53(b))

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Title of Invention

HEAD-TO-HEAD CONNECTOR SPINAL FIXATION SYSTEM

APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents

1. Fee Transmittal Form
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2. Specification Total Pages [24]
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
- Descriptive title of the invention
- Cross References to Related Applications
- Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
- Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
- Background of the Invention
- Brief Summary of the Invention
- Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
- Detailed Description
- Claim(s)
- Abstract of the Disclosure

3. Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) Total Sheets [19]
[X] Fig. of the Drawings for Publication [18]
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4. Oath or Declaration Total Pages [].
a. Newly executed (original or copy)
b. Copy from a prior application (37 C.F.R. 1.63(d))
(for continuation/divisional with Box 17 completed)
i. **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 C.F.R. 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).

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6. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission
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ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

7. Assignment Papers (cover sheet & documents)
[X] Assignee - DePuy Spine, Inc
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8. Power of Attorney 37 C.F.R. 3.73(b) Statement

9. English Translation Document (if applicable)

10. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 Copies of IDS Citations

11. Preliminary Amendment

12. Return Receipt Postcard

13. Small Entity Statement(s)

14a. Foreign Priority Claim under 35 U.S.C. §119 or 365

14b. Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)

15. Nonpublication Request (check parent application)

16. Other _____

17. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box, supply the requisite information

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Prior application information: Examiner: Group Art Unit: _____

The entire disclosure of the prior application is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference.
(Add standard Related Applications section with incorporation by reference to specification or update same)**18. CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS**

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